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# WAR AND THE COLLEGES

The Next Number of the Bulletin will summarize the effect of the War on the Colleges. Don't Miss It.

### Do You Know What the Council of Church Boards of Education Is?

Each of the leading Protestant denominations has a Board of Education to promote its educational work, especially in colleges and among students in tax-supported institutions.

In 1911 the Secretaries of several of these Boards from different denominations met and formed an interdenominational Council to promote their common interests. Since then officers of the Council have been elected annually, committees have been at work, paid secretaries have been employed, and a general campaign of Christian Education is under way. The aim of this campaign is:

- 1. To awaken the entire public to the conviction that religion is essential to a complete education, and that education is necessary to the achievement of the Christian program.
- 2. To promote the cause of Christian education in institutions of learning, including the religious development of students in tax-supported institutions.
- 3. To strengthen the Christian College, to promote religious instruction therein, and to emphasize the permanent necessity of higher education under distinctly Christian auspices.

The Council is now composed of nineteen different Church Boards of Education, represented by their corresponding secretaries lov

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or presidents. It includes at present the following denominations:

Baptist, Northern Convention, Baptist, Southern Convention, Christian Convention (American), Congregational, Disciples of Christ, Evangelical (United), Friends, Lutheran, General Council. Lutheran, General Synod, Lutheran, United Synod, South, Methodist Episcopal, North, Methodist Episcopal, South, Presbyterian (U. S.), Presbyterian (U. S. A.) College Board, Board of Education. Protestant Episcopal, Reformed (in America), Reformed (in U. S.), United Brethren, United Presbyterian.

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## What Backing Has the Council?

As the organized agency of so many denominations, in promoting their interdenominational interests in the field of Christian education, the Council has first, the backing of the respective Boards of Education. The combined resources and influence of these Boards is tremendous.

Again, it has behind it the Church institutions for religious training, notably some 325 colleges directly under supervision of Church Boards or affiliated with them.

In its work among tax-supported institutions it has an increasing constituency made up of University pastors and others engaged in that important field.

In the field of ministerial preparation a large number of training schools and theological seminaries stand ready to back up the Council.

Back of all this there is the potential support of the combined membership of the various churches represented, approximating some fourteen million people.

## What Has the Council Accomplished to Date?

1. The formation of the Council was in itself a distinct achievement. For so many denominations to come to a consciousness of essential unity in educational interests, and to promote that co-operation through organized effort, is a remarkable thing.

The Methodist Church took the lead in

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